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SUBJECT: US-USSR SPACE COOPERATION - METEOROLOGY

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING LETTER FROM PROFESSOR VLADIMIR G. KURT, INSTITUTE OF SPACE RESEARCH, ACADEMY OF SCIENCES, TO DR. T. JULLY, HOUSTON MANNED SPACE FLIGHT CENTER.

2. BEGIN QUOTE: DEAR DR. JULLY: PLEASE EXCUSE FOR THE DELAYED REPLY TO YOUR LETTER. I DO NOT HAVE ANY REMARKS ON THE REPORT YOU SENT TO ME WITH RESULTS OF EXPERIMENT MA-059, CARRIED OUT WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF "APOLLO-SOYUZ" PROJECT.

3. UNFORTUNATELY, DESPITE OUR ARRANGEMENT IN GSFC WE HAVE NOT RECEIVED THE MAGNETIC TAPES YOU PROMISED. I THINK IT UNFEASIBLE TO PROCESS THESE DATA IN THE USSR SINCE THERE HAS BEEN A DELAY OF MORE THAN A YEAR IN COMPARISON WITH THE MATERIALS PROCESSED IN THE USA. IT SEEMED TO ME, PERSONALLY, THAT THE PARALLEL PROCESSING WOULD PROVIDE MORE TRUSTWORTHY FINAL RESULTS. THIS IS PRECISELY THE WAY WE USUALLY WORK WITH OUR COLLEAGUES IN FRANCE AND OTHER COUNTRIES. IN OUR CASE IT IS EVEN MORE URGENT BECAUSE OF THE INFERIOR QUALITY OF THE DATA (LACK OF MEASUREMENTS AT 150 METERS, INEXPLICABLE ABERRATIONS AT 500 METERS AND AT DISTANCES EXCEEDING 1000 METERS). NATURALLY, IN THIS SITUATION I ASK YOU TO DELETE ME AS CO-AUTHOR OF ALL PUBLICATIONS ON THIS EXPERIMENT, BUT TO RETAIN AS CO-AUTHORS OUR TECHNICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EMPLOYEES MR. V.A. OL'SHEVSKIY, MR. B.S. KUKASHEV AND MR. V.V. MARTYNOV

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(ALL FROM THE INSTITUTE OF SPACE RESEARCH OF THE USSR ACADEMY

OF SCIENCES) WHO PARTICIPATED IN PREPARATIONS OF THE EXPERIMENT
AT ALL STAGES.

4. I WOULD BE VERY OBLIGED IF YOU TRANSMIT A COPY OF THIS LETTER
TO PROFESSOR T. DONAY. SINCERELY YOURS, PROFESSOR VLADIMIR G.
KURT. UNQUOTE.

5. EMBASSY POUCHING ORIGINAL TO NASA FOR FRUTKIN,
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